

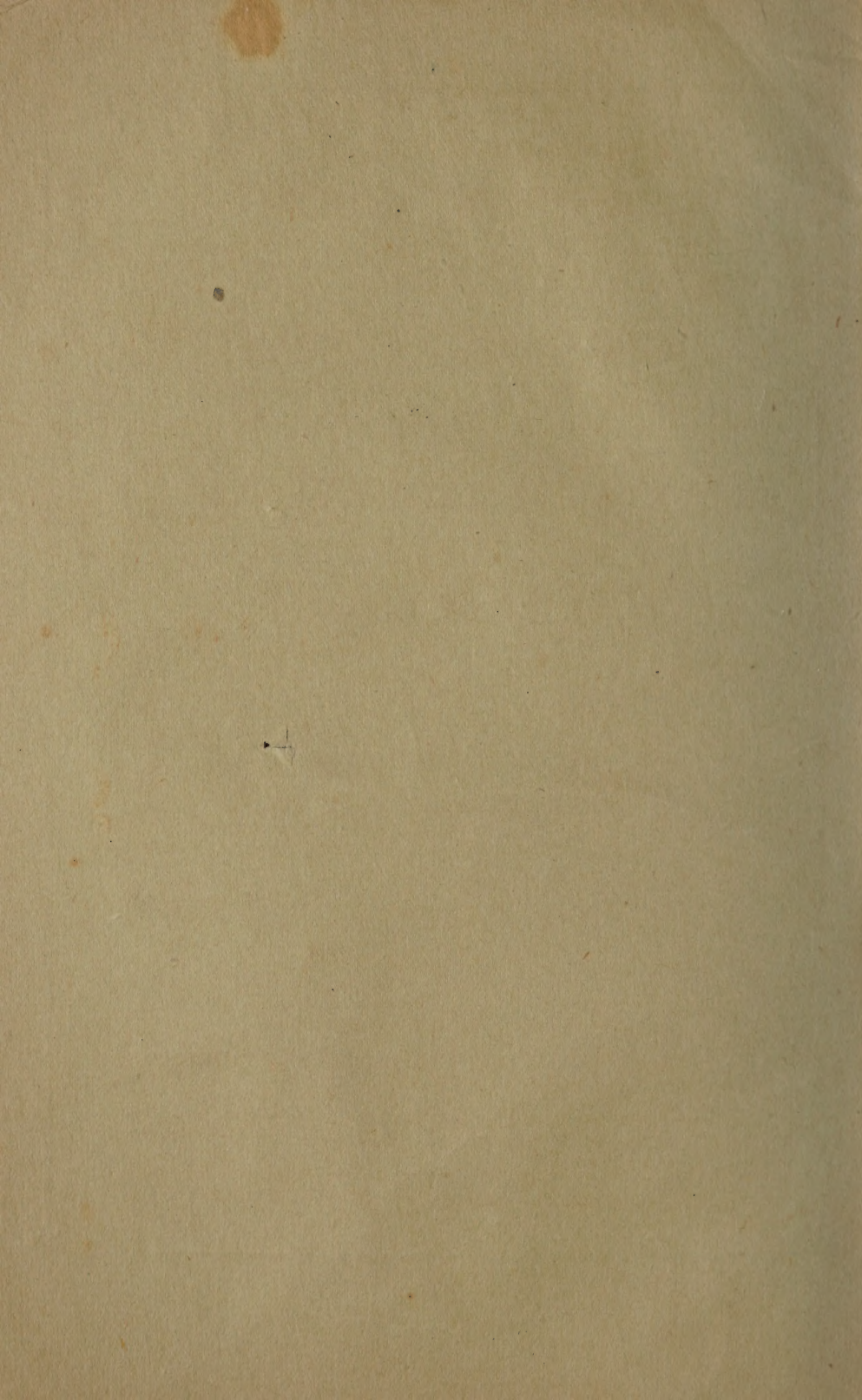
ANNUAL REPORT
of the
OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES
of the
TOWN OF NORTHFIELD



FRANKLIN COUNTY
MASSACHUSETTS

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31,

1918



Town Warrant

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

FRANKLIN, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Northfield in the County of Franklin

GREETING:

IN THE NAME OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Town, on Monday, February 3, 1919, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:—

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To hear the reports of the several Town officers and Committees, or act thereon.

ART. 3. To choose all necessary Town officers for the ensuing year, the following to be on one ballot, viz., Town Clerk, Treasurer, Three Selectmen, One Assessor for three years, One School Committee for three years, Two Library Committees for three years, One Cemetery Commissioner for three years, Three Constables, Tree Warden, Tax Collector. Also to bring in ballots, Yes or No, in answer to the following question: Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town?

ART. 4. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the taxes of the municipal year to an amount not exceeding the tax levy and to issue a note or notes hereafter payable within one year. Any debt or debts incurred under this note to be paid from the taxes of said municipal year, or act thereon.

ART. 5. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$150 for Memorial Day exercises, the same to be paid to and expended by G. A. R. Post 171, or act thereon.

ART. 6. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used by the Tree Warden in care and preservation of shade trees, or act thereon.

ART. 7. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to employ a School Physician, in accordance with Chapter 502, Acts of 1906, or act thereon.

ART. 8. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,630 to pay the interest and fifteenth bond of the Bennett's Meadow Bridge Debt, or act thereon.

ART. 9. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$1,540 to apply on High School and Memorial Hall Debt, or act thereon.

ART. 10. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate any sum of money for oiling the principal streets, or act thereon.

ART. 11. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as shall be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, or act thereon.

ART. 12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,150 for lighting the streets, or act thereon.

ART. 13. To determine the salary of the Tax Collector, or act thereon.

ART. 14. To see if the Town will empower the Selectmen to defend the Town in any suit brought against the Town, or act thereon.

ART. 15. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$150 for care and preservation of cemeteries, or act thereon.

ART. 16. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell or repair the A. M. D. Alexander property, or pass any vote thereon.

ART. 17. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to install sanitation in the Northfield Farms school and hall, or act thereon.

ART. 18. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$100 for cutting brush along the highways, or act thereon.

ART. 19. To see if the Town will vote to accept the gift of certain sums of money from Edward D. Priest and others, upon the conditions and terms and for the purposes set forth in a certain instrument from said Edward D. Priest and others to the Town of Northfield.

ART. 20. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$500 to improve the road on Highland Avenue, or act thereon.

ART. 21. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to continue the gravel Side Walk on the south side of Warwick Avenue to East Street, or act thereon.

ART. 22. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$250, to co-operate in equal amount with the State for purchasing equipment to be used by the Fire Department and Forest Warden for fighting fires, or act thereon.

ART. 23. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$150, to repair Mill Brook bridge, or act thereon.

ART. 24. To see what action the Town will take about discontinuing the service of the free hearse, or act thereon.

ART. 25. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to repair the railings where needed on the Gulf road, or act thereon.

ART. 26. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to paint and repair the West Northfield School-house, or act thereon.

ART. 27. To see if the Town will appropriate \$100.00 to be paid to the Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture in accordance with the provisions of and for the purposes of Chapter 273, Acts of 1918, or for the support of demonstration work under the direction of the agent or instructors of the Trustees on land owned by the town or any resident thereof, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ART. 28. To see if the Town will choose a director in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 273, Acts of 1918, Section 1, to serve for one year or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at The Post Offices in Northfield, East Northfield, Northfield Farms, West Northfield, and at the

School House in District No. 6, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this eighth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and nineteen.

H. H. CROSIER,
C. S. TENNEY,
J. L. DUNNELL,
Selectmen of Northfield.

CONDITION OF THE TOWN

ASSETS

Cash	\$9,694 38
1917 Taxes	640 92
1918 Taxes	4,513 72
	\$14,849 02

LIABILITIES

Outstanding Loans	\$8,000 00
H. H. Crosier	150 00
J. L. Dunnell	150 00
C. I. Tenney	150 00
B. F. Field	300 00
	\$8,750 00

BONDED DEBT.

Bennett's Meadow Bridge	\$18,000 00
High School	12,000 00
	\$30,000 00

January 1, 1919.

BENJAMIN F. FIELD,
Town Accountant.

Town Officers

Town Clerk and Treasurer

WARREN J. WRIGHT

Selectmen

H. H. CROSIER C. S. TENNEY J. L. DUNNELL

School Committee

FRANK L. DULEY, Term expires 1919

RALPH O. LEACH, Term expires 1920

D. Mc. D. ROSS, Term expires 1921

Library Committee

E. F. HOWARD, Term expires 1919

NORMAN P. WOOD, Term expires 1919

BLANCHE M. WELCH, Term expires 1920

S. CATHERINE RICHARDSON, Term expires 1920

FRANK L. DULEY, Term expires 1921

ROSCOE H. PHILBRICK, Term expires 1921

Librarian

MRS. C. A. RANDALL

Cemetery Commissioners

C. I. HOLTON, Term expires 1919

GEORGE N. KIDDER, Term expires 1920

FRANK V. WOOD, Term expires 1921

Constables

L. O. CLAPP

FRED W. DOANE ANSON O. HOWARD

Assessors

MERRILL T. MOORE, Term expires 1919

F. W. WILLIAMS, Term expires 1920

J. L. HAMMOND, Term expires 1921

Town Accountant

BENJAMIN F. FIELD

Tree Warden

ARNOLD HOLTON

Fence Viewers

FRANK V. WOOD

DWIGHT PRESTON G. O. DUNNELL

Field Drivers

FRED E. ATWOOD

ALFRED E. HOLTON CHARLES KELTON

Pound Keeper

LUCKY O. CLAPP

Surveyor of Wood and Lumber

C. R. NELSON

E. E. ALDRICH

R. O. LEACH

H. A. REED

GEORGE W. PIPER

LAWRENCE QUINLAN

Tax Collector

LUCKY O. CLAPP

Sealer of Weights and Measures

HENRY H. MASON

Fire Wardens

FRED W. DOANE

GEORGE W. PIPER

FRANK H. MONTAGUE

HENRY C. HOLTON

FRANK KENDRICK

Registrars of Voters

JOHN T. CALLAGHAN

FRED A. HOLTON

FRANK H. MONTAGUE

Inspectors of Provisions

FRANK E. HEALD

JONES J. FISHER

Inspector of Animals

FRANK E. HEALD

Forest Fire Warden

FRED W. DOANE

Chief of Fire Department

FRED A. IRISH

Report of Selectmen

We respectfully submit for your consideration our report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1918.

GENERAL WORK AND REPAIRS We have completed all work and repairs for which appropriations were made at the last annual meeting in February, with the exception of the Northfield Farms School and Hall. We have installed a good heating plant in this school at a cost of \$388, the appropriation of \$600 for heat and sanitation was not enough for both.

HIGHWAYS Not as much work has been done on our Highways as they required, for with the extra cost of labor and teams, and the unusually heavy fall of snow last winter the Highway appropriation was hardly enough to put our roads in passable condition, and for the coming year we recommend that at least \$3,500 be appropriated for highways.

We have petitioned the State Highway Commission to take over to the care of the State the section of road on Main Street, beginning with the end of the State highway near Mill Brook bridge and extending north 2900 feet to Pine Street, and in reply to this petition they write that it is too early for the Commission to say what it will do next year, as it does not know as yet what funds will be available. If the Commission has sufficient funds next year, and the town will pay half the cost, it would probably be willing to consider rebuilding the section of Main Street referred to, and afterwards laying it out as a State highway. Should this proposition meet with the approval of the Town, action can be taken as soon as a definite answer is received from the Commission. Considerable work is required on this road, and repairs must be made on Mill Brook bridge. A good serviceable drain should be put in on the east side of this road, starting about opposite Robbins & Evans store, and extending south below the residence of Dr. Philbrick.

MILLERS BROOK BRIDGE We commenced the detail work for the construction of a new bridge early in April, but at a hearing before the Massachusetts Highway Commission, found that, in order to complete in the future

the proposed state road from Northfield to Millers' Fall line, this bridge would have to be built according to survey, plans, and specifications furnished by the Highway Commission. These have been secured without cost to the Town. It seemed almost impossible to get the details of this work settled so that we could ask the Town for an appropriation, and when this was granted at a special meeting held Sept. 23, and we were ready to commence the work, we were notified that the National Government would not permit us to use the steel and cement necessary for its construction. Under these conditions it was impossible to build this year. We have reinforced the present bridge so that we think it will be safe until such time as may be considered wise to build a new one. However, we recommend that the construction of a permanent bridge begin as soon as possible next year.

FIRE DEPARTMENT The fire department has been reorganized and each company has its full complement of men. A room has been provided for their use in the hose house. We were fortunate in securing Mr. F. A. Irish as Chief and Mr. Kendrick as assistant, and if their equipment were equal to their organization, Northfield would have a fire department that it could depend upon.

Respectfully submitted,

H. H. CROSIER,

C. S. TENNEY,

J. L. DUNNELL,

Selectmen.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELISHA ALEXANDER FUND

Mrs Dwight Smith,	5 00
Emma and Hattie Hilliard,	10 00
Mrs Leon Miller,	5 00
Mrs Amelia Marsh,	10 00
Mrs Mary Driscoll,	5 00
Mrs Dora Goldsmith,	5 00
Mrs Jennie Davis,	11 00
	\$51 00

Report of Treasurer

Town of Northfield in Account with W. J. Wright,
Treasurer

By balance, from previous year's account,	\$11,833 71
By cash, F. W. Doane, account cemetery fund interest, Flora Lane \$3.02, L. Holton \$2.60,	5 62
By cash, County Treasurer, account dog fund (returned),	99 50
By cash, State Treasurer, account Mass. School fund,	722 79
By cash, State Treasurer, account Income Tax,	70 00
By cash, Northfield Seminary, account timber from B. M. Bridge	4 00
By cash, Mt. Hermon School, account tuition,	4 00
By cash, F. W. Harness, account check returned,	65
By cash, Geo. O. Dunnell, account coal from Town Hall,	50 31
By cash, Inter State Mtg. Trust Co., Belcher coupons, account cemetery,	6 00
By cash, Boston, Maine Ry. Co., account fighting fire,	19 00
	\$12,815 58
By cash, State Treasurer, account Income Tax,	70 00
By cash, B. F. Field, account A. M. D. Alexander, rent,	15 00
By cash, Belcher coupons, account Centre School,	25 07
By cash, Greenfield Savings Bank, account temporary loan, due Nov. 1st, 1918, (settled),	8,000 00
By cash, Greenfield Savings Bank, account temporary	

loan, due Dec. 10, 1918, (settled),	6,000 00	
By cash, Central Vermont Ry. Co., account fighting fire,	11 75	
By cash, Belcher coupons, ac- count Centre Cemetery,	36 23	
By cash, Belcher coupons, ac- count Centre School,	11 00	
By cash, H. H. Crosier, account gasoline licenses:—	10 50	
C. E. Williams		
Hotel Monat		
H. A. Lewis		
Kobbirs & Evans		
N. W. Keet		
J. W. Barber		
Northfield Hotel Co.		
		14,179 55
By cash, James Crehan, account auctioneer's license,	2 00	
By cash, B. F. Field, account A. M. D. Alexander, rent,	90 00	
By cash, B. F. Field, account Town Hall, rent,	16 00	
By cash, State Sealer of Weights and Measures	6 00	
By cash, E. F. Howard, account check returned,	1 00	
By cash, B. F. Field, account Town Hall, rent,	72 00	
By cash, District Court, account fines,	75 00	
		262 00
By cash, H. H. Mason, account Sealer of Weights and meas- ures,	15 99	
By cash, State Treasurer, ac- count Inspection of Ani- mals,	42 25	
By cash, Northfield Seminary, account gravel for West Northfield road,	252 50	
By cash, Jas. T. Cummings, ac- count Auctioneer's license	2 00	
By cash, Belcher coupons, ac-		

	count Centre School,	27 00	
By	cash, Belcher coupons, ac-		
	count Centre Cemetery,	27 00	
By	cash, Belcher coupons, ac-		
	count Dickinson Memorial		
	Library,	663 67	
By	cash, Harry M. Haskell, ac-		
	count License to sell oleo-		
	margarine,	50	
			1,030 91
By	cash, G. W. Deming, account		
	Schools,	437 50	
By	cash, Greenfield Savings		
	Bank, account temporary		
	loan, due April 15, 1919,	8,000 00	
By	cash, John F. Malley, account		
	Revenue Tax, (check re-		
	turned),	164 59	
By	cash, Mrs. I. M. Harris, ac-		
	count sidewalk,	1 00	
			8,603 09
By	Cash, State Treasurer, ac-		
	count Corporation Tax, P. S.,	170 73	
By	Cash, State Treasurer, ac-		
	count Corporation Tax Busi-		
	ness,	123 12	
By	Cash, State Treasurer, ac-		
	count Income Tax, 1918,	1,400 00	
By	Cash, State Treasurer, ac-		
	count National Bank Tax,	63 09	
By	Cash, State Treasurer, ac-		
	count High School tuition,	500 00	
By	Cash, State Treasurer, ac-		
	count State Aid,	312 00	
By	Cash, State Treasurer, ac-		
	count Soldiers' Exemption,	15 72	
			2,584 66
By	Cash, B. F. Field, account A.		
	M. D. Alexander, rent,	60 00	
By	Cash, State Treasurer, ac-		
	count Corporation Tax, P. S.,	14 90	
By	Cash, E. F. Howard, account		
	tuition,	220 00	
By	Cash, Belcher coupons, ac-		
	count Dickinson Memorial		

Library,	71 00	
		365 90
By Cash, Greenfield Savings Bank, account Cemetery Fund, interest:		
S. A. Holton,	12 92	
J. L. Mattoon,	6 46	
Jas. Pickard,	6 46	
Levi Fay,	9 69	
Sarah Minot,	9 69	
Louis Stratton,	6 46	
Alvin Long,	1 63	
		53 31
By Cash, Franklin Savings Institution, account Cemetery Fund, interest:		
Chas. Alexander,	8 59	
Jas. White,	4 30	
A. M. D. Alexander,	12 89	
Miss Gang,	4 30	
Adaline W. Moody,	4 30	
E. and E. Stratton,	4 30	
A. and A. Sawyer,	4 30	
Wm. H. Stratton,	4 30	
M. ... and E. Belcher,	42 95	
Elijah E. Belding,	4 30	
Elijah Belding	5 36	
Lucy M. Webster,	21 48	
Agusta L. Day,	5 34	
		126 71
By Cash, Greenfield Savings Bank, account Surplus Revenue, (Schools),	68 72	
By Cash, Franklin Savings Institution, account Belcher Centre School,	42 95	
By Cash, Franklin Savings Institution, account Dickinson Memorial Library	1 57	
By Cash, E. F. Howard School tuition, Town of Gill	150 00	
		263 24
By Cash, Geo. N. Kidder, account sale, Cemetery lots,	150 00	
By Cash, B. F. Field, account		

	Town Hall, rent,	54 00	
By	Cash, State Treasurer, account Income Tax,	140 00	
			344 00
By	Cash, L. O. Clapp, account 1916 Tax (settled),		637 52
By	Cash, L. O. Clapp, account 1916 Tax, (interest),		13 40
By	Cash, L. O. Clapp, account 1917 Tax,		4,868 03
By	Cash, L. O. Clapp, account 1917 Tax, (interest),		126 00
By	Cash, L. O. Clapp, account 1918 Tax,		27,940 00
			<u>\$74,213 90</u>

DR.

To	paid Treasury Warrants,	\$64,519 52
To	Balance, cash on hand,	9,694 38

\$74,213 90

WARREN J. WRIGHT,

Town Treasurer.

Northfield, Mass., January 1, 1919.

Trust Funds

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cemetery Funds in Greenfield Savings Bank

No. 19838	S. A. Holton,	\$200 00
No. 20865	J. L. Mattoon,	100 00
No. 12719	Jas. Pickard,	100 00
No. 15962	Levi Fay,	150 00
No. 12806	Sarah Minot,	150 00
No. 23751	Lois Stratton,	100 00
No. 23927	Alvin Long,	50 00
No. 26167	M. D. Stratton,	100 00
No. 26145	Chas. Blackmer,	50 00

Cemetery Funds in Franklin Savings Institution

No. 18761	Charles Alexander,	\$200 00
No. 28960	James White,	100 00
No. 26642	A. M. D. Alexander,	300 00
No. 31621	Miss Gang,	100 00
No. 17631	Adaline W. Moody,	100 00
No. 14540	E. and E. Stratton,	100 00
No. 16813	A. and A. Sawyer,	100 00
No. 17136	Wm. H. Stratton,	100 00
No. 29987	M. A. and E. Belcher,	1,000 00
No. 36794	Elijah E. Belding,	100 00
No. 36793	Elijah Belding,	125 00
No. 36875	Lucy M. Webster,	500 00
No. 41709	Augusta L. Day,	100 00

Crocker Institution for Savings

No. 15806	Gage and Clowes,	\$100 00
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Greenfield Savings Bank

No. 1894	Surplus revenue (schools),	\$1,600 00
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Franklin Savings Institution

No. 29986	M. A. and E. Belcher Center School,	\$1,000 00
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Belcher Trust Funds to Dickinson Memorial Library

No. 792	Bonds, Southern Bell Tel. and Tel. Co. Interest July and Jan., 5 per cent.,	\$ 500 00
No. 8229	Consolidated Gas, Electric Light and Power Co. Interest Jan. and July, 4½ per cent.,	1,000 00
No. 13074	Bonds, A, B, C, D, E, Inter State Mortgage Trust Co. Interest due April 1 at 5½ per	

	cent.,	5,000 00
No. 11661,	No. 13349, No. 13350 (3) Great Western Power Co., \$1,000. Interest due Jan. 1 and July 1 at 5 per cent.,	3,000 00
No. 13298	Bond, Inter State Mortgage Trust Co. Interest due May 1 and Nov. 1 at 6 per cent.,	2,000 00
No. C11,	No. C12, No. C23, No. C24 (4) \$100 Arkansas Valley Inter- urban Railway Co. Interest due June 1 and Dec. 1 at 5½ per cent.,	400 00
No. 749	Topeka Edison Co. Interest due Jan. and July, 5 per cent.,	1,000 00
No. 2494	Joplin and Pittsburgh Rail Co. Interest March and Sept., 5 per cent.,	1,000 00
No. 32450	Franklin Savings Institution,	37 00
	Total,	13,937 00
No. 13479A	Bond, Interstate Belcher Cen- ter School,	\$1,000 00
No. 13479B	Bond, Interstate Belcher Cen- ter Cemetery,	\$1,000 00

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. WRIGHT,

Treasurer.

Northfield, Mass., January, 1919.

Report of Town Accountant

HIGHWAYS

LABOR AND TEAMS

January		
	J. V. Holton,	\$ 36 30
	L. C. Mitter,	5 00
	J. J. Fisher,	8 66
	C. A. Parker,	2 33
February		
	A. W. Mead,	42 96
	G. W. Piper,	20 15
	Evans Bros.,	2 00
	L. W. Pratt,	4 50
	H. C. Holton,	24 25
May		
	C. A. Parker,	14 50
	E. H. Whitcomb,	58 50
	C. O'Clair,	45 00
	J. H. Croelan,	65 50
	G. O. Dunnell,	79 00
	J. Dresser,	2 50
	I. Fisher,	72 00
	Raymond Dresser,	3 00
	E. Cosgrove,	6 00
	Lee Dresser,	7 50
	Dana Fisher,	15 00
	G. W. Piper,	63 45
June		
	A. H. Irish,	27 25
	A. M. Dunnell,	3 00
	R. Dresser,	5 00
	E. H. Whitcomb,	53 00
	Geo. Mauritz,	22 50
	G. Mauritz,	25 50
	R. Dresser,	19 50
	Dana Fisher,	13 75
	O. S. Fisher,	26 50
	J. Dalton,	42 00
July		
	E. H. Whitcomb,	28 50
	I. J. Edson,	18 00
	G. W. Piper,	27 00
	L. Quinlan,	169 00

A. W. Mead,	77 00
E. H. Whitcomb,	25 50
August	
C. S. Tenney,	45 00
C. W. Stratton,	7 50
September	
G. W. Piper,	69 00
O. S. Fisher,	41 50
O. S. Fisher,	36 10
Dana Fisher,	24 65
E. H. Whitcomb,	31 00
F. H. Montague,	17 00
C. W. Stratton,	7 65
C. A. Parker,	233 01
October	
L. Quinlan,	20 37
L. W. Pratt,	18 00
C. K. Ober,	2 50
J. L. Dunnell,	10 20
G. W. Piper,	55 00
E. H. Whitcomb,	28 50
November	
J. H. Lyman,	38 25
L. Quinlan,	24 00
E. H. Whitcomb,	7 50
J. Croelan,	4 50
E. H. Whitcomb,	24 00
J. J. Fisher,	6 56
December	
E. H. Whitcomb,	28 50
G. W. Piper,	16 00
J. H. Dalton and Team,	76 70
F. H. Montague,	3 50
L. Quinlan,	93 93
E. H. Newton	35 54
J. H. Croelan,	49 00
C. H. Bellows,	70
C. S. Tenney,	11 50
A. M. Dunnell,	1 50
C. I. Holton,	3 60
	\$2,233 36

SNOW

January	
C. S. Tenney,	\$ 17 66

March

F. B. Holton,	18 80
R. B. Holton,	11 50
C. I. Holton,	34 00
G. W. Piper,	26 56
F. W. Williams,	12 50
A. W. Mead,	19 25
L. Quinlan,	20 50
J. Dale,	1 10
J. H. Dalton,	22 75
A. H. Irish,	1 88
L. W. Pratt,	1 50
L. B. Wise,	4 35
H. C. Holton,	9 25
J. M. Anderson Rp. to Plough	3 00
C. A. Parker,	29 15
H. Fisher,	12 66
D. Fisher,	23 92
O. S. Fisher,	100 90
E. Perry,	11 52
L. Dresser,	1 25
J. Dresser,	1 25
B. Hallett,	5 30
E. White,	2 50
A. Richter,	2 00
L. Starkey,	2 60
P. Starkey,	6 12
C. Stimpson,	1 12
F. Shantley,	1 68
E. Cosgrove,	3 64
Northfield Seminary,	36 60
J. Crehan,	3 00
A. H. Holton,	1 50

April

A. H. Holton,	1 50
J. H. Dalton,	7 50
I. D. Starkey,	5 60
H. C. Holton,	2 50
C. White,	6 25
O. I. Fisher,	12 00
H. B. Fisher,	6 25
J. J. Fisher,	11 22
G. W. Piper,	11 53
F. B. Holton,	3 00
O. Belden,	8 00

May C. S. Tenney, 1 32

\$537 98

GRAVEL

E. C. Whiting,	\$ 2 00
M. C. Weeks,	2 25
I. L. Dunnell,	5 00
E. A. Pratt,	42 50
E. C. Whitney,	1 50
E. C. Field,	1 20

\$54 45

PLANKS AND POSTS

Evans Brothers,	\$ 18 60
- E. J. Edson,	25 70
Johnson Brothers,	40 24

\$84 54

REPAIRS

J. M. Anderson, Scraper,	\$ 15 50
H. V. Martineau,	1 00
J. M. Anderson,	3 15

\$19 65

SUNDRIES

Robbins & Evans, Tools,	\$ 4 73
Do. Tools,	3 98
Do. Spikes,	1 63
Do. Spikes,	2 28
E. H. Starkey, Axel Grease,	85
U. S. Culvert Co., Culvert,	16 00
C. E. Williams,	2 39

\$31 86

Total Highway,	\$2,965 84
Appropriation,	\$3,000 00

EAST NORTHFIELD ROAD

A. H. Irish,	\$ 17 50
E. H. Whitcomb,	30 00
A. W. Mead,	53 31
C. O. Clair,	37 50
P. Coughlin,	25 00
W. B. Dresser,	12 50
J. S. Rawson,	5 00
J. H. Dalton,	97 20

J. L. Dunnell,	30 00
J. H. Crelan,	84 00
G. O. Dunnell,	53 00
J. L. Dunnell,	6 00
L. Quinlan,	54 00

\$505 01

Seminary Paid, \$252 50

CONTINGENT SELECTMEN'S ACCOUNT

F. W. Doane,	\$ 100 00
L. A. Polhemus,	100 00
C. S. Tenney,	100 00
N. E. Telephone,	65
C. S. Tenney,	5 00
N. E. Telephone,	75
Do.,	90
Do.,	1 00
E. C. Field, Telephone,	1 25
N. E. Telephone,	2 30
Hobbs & Warren, Permits,	1 05
Do.,	1 50
J. L. Dunnell, Travel Expenses,	88 87
H. H. Crosier, Telephone and Postage,	4 65

\$407 92

TREASURER AND CLERK

C. T. Bagnall,	\$ 7 48
C. T. Bagnall,	9 18
Fees	693 85
C. T. Bagnall, Stationery,	5 42

\$715 93

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

B. F. Field,	\$ 300 00
Letters and Postage	13 00

\$313 00

ASSESSORS

F. W. Williams,	\$ 24 70
C. A. Ware,	12 00
A. W. Brownell, Blanks,	12 05
M. T. Moore,	150 00
F. W. Williams,	158 52
J. L. Hammond,	100 00

\$457 27

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

F. A. Horton,	\$ 10 00
L. O. Clapp,	2 50
H. W. Russell,	2 50
J. W. Field,	2 50
K. D. Ware,	7 50
B. C. Abbott,	2 50
J. P. Canaguan,	10 00
J. W. Field,	2 50
H. W. Russell,	2 50
C. E. Leach,	8 00
H. W. Russell,	3 00
J. W. Field,	3 00
K. D. Ware,	5 50
B. C. Abbott,	5 50
F. W. Doane,	11 50
F. H. Montague,	11 25
	\$90 25

CONSTABLE AND POLICE

F. W. Doane, warrants,	\$ 6 00
F. H. Watson,	3 00
District Court,	75 34
F. W. Doane, Warrants,	12 00
	\$96 34

INSPECTOR MEATS

J. J. Fisher,	\$ 9 50
F. E. Heald, January,	84 00
Do., April,	84 50
Do.,	25 50
J. J. Fisher,	4 00
Do.,	3 00
Do.,	8 50
Do.,	5 00
F. L. Howes,	29 00
	\$253 00

SEALER OF WEIGHTS

W. & L. E. Gurley,	\$ 9 43
H. H. Cosier, Team,	6 00
H. H. Mason,	30 90
	\$ 46 33

TOWN HALL

C. E. Williams,	\$ 9 75
Greenfield Electric,	2 86
Do.,	50
A. M. Dunnell, Lamp,	12 08
Greenfield Electric,	2 86
A. M. Dunnell, Lamp,	3 80
A. George, Wax,	50
Greenfield Electric,	1 00
Do.,	5 39
Tuning Piano,	4 50
Greenfield Electric,	5 94
Do.,	15 90
G. O. Dunnell,	59 40
H. M. Bristol, Repairs,	2 30
Greenfield Electric,	50
Do.,	3 60
Do.,	50
H. H. Mason, Janitor,	80 00

\$211 38

Received for Rents,	\$142 00
Coal,	50 31
Federal Income Tax on Account Town Hall	
John F. Malley,	\$164 59
This was paid in May under verbal protest and the amount returned in October.	

BROWN TAIL MOTH

John Dale,	\$ 37 50
F. W. Doane,	41 75
Do., Travel Expenses,	7 60
F. A. Bigelow,	30 00

\$116 85

FIRE WARDEN

Northfield Seminary,	\$ 2 08
F. W. Doane,	9 00
Do. Warden,	20 00

\$31 08

INSURANCE

L. R. Smith, School No. 2,	\$ 73 50
A. S. Gordon, High School,	97 30
Do., Town Hall,	10 22

Do., School No. 7,

41 99

\$223 01

SUNDRIES

H. M. Bristol, Belcher Fountain,	\$ 39 35
Northfield Press, billheads,	2 25
F. W. Williams, Plough Sidewalk,	3 00
G. Balance, Munns Ferry,	1 76
District Court, Fines,	99 29
O. Belden, Plough Sidewalk,	3 00
J. M. Anderson, Repairing Snow Plough,	7 50
N. P. Wood, Travel Expenses to Boston,	10 29
F. W. Doane, Distributing 7 Reports,	3 00
Ray Co., Balance Liquor Raid,	12 75
J. H. Crelan, Horse, Hose Cart,	1 50
Seminary, Plough Sidewalk,	3 00
Press, Town Reports,	115 00
Do., Valuation List,	134 00
Press, Ballots, etc.,	12 75
A. M. Dunnell, Post Quarantine	9 68
L. O. Clapp, Tax Collector,	200 00
H. H. Crosier, Fuel,	2 65
Press, Sealer's Notices,	2 00
N. W. Keet, Belcher Fountain,	75
Northfield Water Co., Fountain,	39 00
F. A. Irish, Chemicals Fire Dept.,	7 10
A. M. Dunnell, Quarantine,	17 00
Bureau of Statistics,	4 00
Mass. Bonding Ins. Co., Treasurer,	48 00
Miss E. J. Thayer, Water So. Vernon.,	5 00
F. W. Doane, Inspecting Seminary,	4 00
E. A. Newcomb, Fire Apparatus,	29 60
C. S. Tenney, Stove Hose House,	12 00
C. F. Peck Bubbler Fountain,	5 25
F. W. Doane, Traveling Expenses,	5 50
Northfield Water Co., Water,	54 00
Greenfield Electric Light, Farms,	1 94
A. H. Irish, Belcher Fountain,	2 50
H. M. Bristol, do.,	6 15
L. R. Smith, Tax Collector's Bond,	50 00
J. L. Dunnell, Serum,	5 00
Bureau of Statistics,	2 00
F. W. Doane, Collecting Dog Tax,	15 00
Press, Printing,	4 20
Hose Company,	81 50
Hobbs & Warren, Blank,	2 55

A. S. Gordon, Legal Servings,	10 00
H. H. Mason, Town Clock,	25 00
G. N. Kidder, Team on Hearse,	84 00
Do., Deata Returns,	10 75
Do., Care Chemical,	16 00
C. S. Tenney, Quarantine,	33 50
L. C. Miller, Water Farms,	5 00
E. C. Field, do.,	5 00
W. A. Davenport, Legal Service,	28 50

\$1,282 56

LIBRARY

Sundry Expenses,	\$ 985 24
Appropriation,	\$300 00
Interest, etc.,	736 24

\$1,036 24

SCHOOLS

Sundry Expenses,	\$11,205 12
Appropriation,	\$8,500 00
Interest, Tuition, etc.,	2,549 55
Balance from 1917,	129 21

\$11,178 76

CEMETERIES

Sundry Expenses,	\$ 342 77
Appropriation,	\$150 00
Interest,	254 87

\$404 87

POOR

Board and Care,	\$ 284 07
Sundry Supplies,	32 30

\$316 37

TREE WARDEN

A. H. Holton,	\$ 149 40
Appropriation,	\$150 00

MUNN'S FERRY

C. A. Parker,	\$ 26 00
C. E. Williams, Supplies,	14 93
Do., Paint,	4 80
Do., Bolts,	1 93
C. A. Parker, Reps. to House,	13 60
C. E. Williams, Roofing,	6 00

F. Shantley, Labor,	7 00
Do., Ferryman,	140 00
C. A. Parker, Labor,	13 33

\$187 62

Gill pays half this expense and town pays half expense of Morgans.

Balance due Gill, \$35 41

ESTATE A. M. D. ALEXANDER

C. L. Johnson, Plumbing,	\$ 5 93
C. L. Packard, Insurance,	20 95
Northfield Water Co.,	6 57
Do.,	7 74
G. N. Kidder, Repairs,	3 13
H. L. Brigham, Repairs,	4 65
Janitor, Memorial Hall,	100 00

\$148 97

Rent Received, \$165 00

STREET SPRINKLING

J. L. Dunnell,	\$ 10 00
J. H. Crelan, Team,	49 00
E. H. Whitcomb, Labor,	28 00
J. H. Crelan, Team,	28 00
E. A. Bigelow, Labor,	3 00
J. H. Dalton, Team,	72 33
Standard Oil Co.,	866 40
G. O. Dunnell,	17 00
H. A. Johnson,	2 00
F. Streeter,	9 00
J. L. Dunnell,	16 85

\$1,101 58

STREET LIGHTS

Greenfield Electric,	\$2,145 00
Appropriation,	\$2000 00
Balance from 1917,	640 14

FIRE DEPARTMENT

A. M. Dunnell,	\$ 12 08
H. A. Lamb, Masonry,	57 29
H. H. Mason,	21 00
A. M. Solandt,	36 55
C. E. Williams,	5 40
Evans Bros.,	75 15

\$207 47

Appropriation,	\$200 00	
PICTURE BOOTH		
A. E. Helton, Electrical,		\$ 116 80
H. M. Bristol, Pipe,		8 74
H. H. Mason, Carpenter,		16 50
C. E. Williams, Nails, etc.,		1 56
District Police, Inspection,		2 00
Lawler Bros., Booth,		89 00
C. E. Williams, Paint,		2 15
		\$236 75

Appropriation,	\$250 00	
STATE AID		
Sundry Persons,		\$ 306 00
Received from State,	\$312 00	

OLD HOME DAY		
Committee,		\$ 100 00
Appropriated,	\$100 00	

FIRE HOSE		
Boston Woven Hose Co.,		\$ 435 00
T. H. Parker Express,		78
		\$435 78

WARWICK AVE. SIDEWALK		
E. H. Whitcomb,		\$ 16 32
J. Crelan,		33 00

		\$49 32
N. E. Farm Bureau,		\$ 100 00

MILL BROOK		
W. H. Stebbins,		\$ 6 00
F. C. Howard,		7 65
E. H. Whitcomb,		7 32
J. Crelan,		14 00
H. H. Crosier,		14 00
J. Dalton,		1 54
		\$50 51

TOWN HALL REPAIRS		
Evans Bros.,		\$ 43 12
H. H. Mason,		20 28
A. H. Irish,		22 31
A. N. Lamb,		40 60
A. H. Irish,		6 00

Evans Bros.,	2 84
C. L. Johnson,	94 85

\$230 00

Appropriation, \$300 00

MEMORIAL DAY

Flags	\$ 5 06
Markers,	9 00
Badges,	12 90
Drum Corps,	35 00
Speaker,	31 00
Automobiles and Team,	23 00
Programs,	2 50
Refreshments,	15 08

\$133 54

— Appropriation, \$125 00

RECAPITULATION

	Dr.
Schools,	\$11,205 12
Library,	1,051 57
Cemeteries,	342 77
Highway,	3,070 84
Contingent,	4,488 12
Munns Ferry,	187 62
Street Sprinkling,	1,101 58
Street Lights,	2,145 00
Poor,	316 37
N. E. Farm Bureau,	100 00
Memorial Day,	125 00
State Aid,	306 00
County Tax,	3,772 02
State Tax,	4,292 80
Temporary Loans,	26 000 00
Net Bonded Debt,	2,000 00
Interest,	735 11
Tree Warden,	149 40
E. Northfield Road,	505 01
Alexander Estate,	148 97
Fire Department,	207 47
Picture Booth,	236 75
Town Hall Repairs,	230 00
Old Home Day,	100 00
Fire Hose,	435 78
Mill Brook,	50 51
Warwick Ave. Walk,	49 32
Bennett's Bridge Timber,	96 75
Tax Rebates,	122 66
Internal Revenue Tax,	164 59
School Physician,	50 00
Tax Collector,	200 00
Bond Treas. and Tax Collector,	98 00
Fire Insurance,	223 01
Town Hall Expense,	211 38
Total Town Warrants,	\$64,519 52
Balance Cash, December 31, 1918,	9,694 38
	\$74,213 90

RECAPITULATION

	Cr.
Balance January 1, 1918	\$11,833 71
Temporary Loans,	22,000
Taxes 1916 Balance	637.52
1917	4,868.03
1918	27,940.00
Schools	2,306.18
Library	736 24
Cemetery	254.87
Town Hall Rents	142.00
State Tax Refund	2,051.84
Alexander Rents	165 00
Interest	139.40
Cemetery Lots	150 00
Inspecting Animals	42.25
State Aid	312 00
Account Fires	30.75
Licenses	15.00
Fines	75.00
Sealer Weights	21 99
East Northfield Road	252.50
Soldiers Exemption	15 72
Warwick Ave. Sidewalk	1 00
Sale Bridge Timber	8.00
Internal Rev. Tax returned	164.59
Sale Coal from Town Hall	50.31
	\$74,213.90

Northfield Water Company

Water rents received,		\$1,031 89
Taxes,	\$ 57 00	
Interest,	135 00	
Legal expense,	164 90	
Other expense and cost of operation,	824 60	
	\$ 1,181 50	
	B. F. FIELD	
		Treasurer

Martha W. Alexander Fund

The amount of this fund is \$8,525 invested as follows:

Franklin Savings Institution,	\$4,200 00
Springfield Institution for Savings,	1,000 00
Crocker Institution for Savings,	825 00
Greenfield Savings Bank,	1,500 00
Orange Savings Bank,	1,000 00

We have received as interest the past year the sum of \$349.50, which we have disbursed according to the provision of the will.

FRANK H. MONTAGUE,
CHARLES L. ROBBINS,
CHARLES C. STEARNS,
Trustees.

Assessors' Report

Value of real estate,	\$1,352,621 00
Value of personal estate,	304,507 00
Number of polls assessed, 461.	

AMOUNT RAISED BY TOWN

Memorial Day,	\$ 125 00
Tree warden,	150 00
School physician,	50 00
Bennett Meadow bridge,	1,665 00
High School debt,	1,595 00
Street oil,	1,200 00
Schools,	8,500 00
Library,	300 00
Contingent and poor,	4,500 00
Collector's salary,	200 00
Special road,	250 00
Sidewalk,	50 00
Fire department,	200 00
Repairs No. 4 school,	600 00
Cemeteries,	150 00
Picture booth,	250 00
Repairs, Town Hall,	300 00
Highways,	3,000 00

Special meeting July 30,

Street lights,	2,000 00
Fire hose,	400 00
Farm Bureau,	100 00
	\$25,585 00

State tax,	\$3,850 00
State Highway tax,	427 80
County tax,	3,772 02
	\$8,049 82
Less Intangibles,	1,631 70
	\$6,418 12
Overlay,	405 76
	\$6,823 88

			\$32,408 88
Raised on polls,	\$ 922 00		
Raised on personal estate,	5,786 46		
Raised on real estate,	25,700 42		
			\$32,408 88

Amount raised December,	
Assessment on real estate,	\$44 84
Assessed value of exempted property	
Real estate,	\$1,071,480 00
Rate per \$1,000,	\$19 00
MERRILL T. MOORE,	
FRANK W. WILLIAMS,	
J. LINCOLN HAMMOND,	
Assessors of Northfield.	

Report of Library Trustees

January 12, 1919.

The Trustees of the Dickinson Memorial Library beg leave to submit the following report for the year ending December 31, 1918. The proper functions of the library during the year have been seriously interfered with by two unavoidable incidents, viz: 1st, because of the coal shortage the library was open only one day a week through February and March and only three days a week through April; 2nd, because of the influenza epidemic, by order of the Board of Health the library was closed from Sept. 28th to Oct. 25th and from Nov. 14th to Nov. 26th.

Aside from these interruptions, the library has served the public even better than ever before. To supply the wants of our foreign born citizens a weekly paper printed in the Polish language has been placed in the reading room and has attracted much attention from the Polish people.

This has been done despite the fact that it is extremely important that all foreign born people who seek homes with us should be induced to learn our language and, so far as possible, shall become Americanized; shall become acquainted with our institutions and forms of government and be made loyal and interested American citizens.

The ladies toilet had become disabled through the effect of time and frost, and required a new bowl and fixtures, the whole costing, approximately \$18.00.

Our former janitor, Mr. Charles Baxter resigned, July 1st. and Mr. H. H. Crosier was elected to fill the place. Mr. Crosier is much interested in the library

building and is a very efficient janitor.

It is the universal testimony of visiting librarians from large libraries that we have an especially well arranged and well equipped library and a very attractive reading room supplied with the best current periodicals.

The committee for selecting books and periodicals, Mr. Duley, Mrs. Richardson, and Mrs. Welch have been diligent and under the present condition of war have been resourceful in performing their duties. They will esteem it a favor if the reading public will make suggestions to them along these lines.

Appended is the financial report and the report of the Librarian. The Trustees ask for an appropriation of \$300.00 for the year ensuing.

N. P. WOOD,
E. F. HOWARD,
F. L. DULEY,
R. H. PHILBRICK,
S. CATHERINE RICHARDSON,
BLANCHE M. WELCH,

Library Trustees.

Librarian's Report for Year Ending Dec. 31, 1918

Volumes in library last report,	8,553
Purchased last year,	123
Given last year,	21
Volumes bound,	4
Total in library,	8,695
Number of families patrons,	276
Number of individual patrons,	129
Number of books taken by families,	10,348
Number of books taken by public schools	125
Number of books taken by visitors,	361
Magazines circulated,	1,733
Total circulation,	12,567
Balance on hand last report,	\$10 79
Received check from trustees,	50 00
Received for book bound,	1 25
Received from Dr. Wood,	4 00
Received from Mr. Duley,	3 15
Fines collected,	12 60
Paid for books, papers and magazines,	\$35 28
Express postage and cards,	8 11

Library Bureau,	1 57	
Incidentals,	9 16	
Balance,	\$27 67	
Publications subscribed for,		37
Publications given,		9
Number of readers using room,		2,268
Books Given		
Rev. Geo. Witte,		1
A. J. Brown, D.D.,		2
Miscellaneous books,		18

Relics

Hand-made shingle, date 1825, Joseph R. Colton.
MRS. C. A. RANDALL,
Librarian.

Library Account

		CR.
By Appropriation,	\$300 00	
Interest received,	736 24	
		\$1,036 24
		DR.
To Librarian,	\$208 00	
Janitor,	155 10	
Books,	249 70	
Fuel,	178 58	
Light,	43 72	
For Incidental Expenses,	50 00	
Sundries,	100 14	
	\$985 24	
To Balance,	51 00	
		\$1,036 24

Report of Cemetery Commission

We submit our report for the past year for consideration.

We would recommend that \$200.00 be raised and appropriated for the coming year.

Paid for Labor, etc.

H. M. Bristol, labor,	\$2 30
C. E. Williams, tools,	1 50
F. V. Wood, labor,	5 00
F. A. Bigelow, labor,	9 00
G. W. Slate, labor,	46 00
T. Coughlin, labor,	10 00
G. N. Kidder, labor,	28 00
G. W. Slate, labor,	54 50
G. W. Slate, labor,	67 00
N. W. Keet, repairing tools,	1 25
A. H. Holton, labor,	3 00
C. I. Holton,	38 00
E. C. Perry,	44 50
G. N. Kidder,	11 75
Granite State Machine Co.,	6 27
F. V. Wood,	54 70
Cash on hand,	104 67

	\$447 44
Balance, 1917,	\$ 42 57
By appropriation,	150 00
Interest funds,	254 87

Total,	\$447 44
Unpaid bill,	46 00
Receiver for sale of lots,	\$150 00
Paid W. J. Wright,	\$150 00

C. I. HOLTON,
F. V. WOOD,
GEO. N. KIDDER,
Cemetery Commissioners.

Report of School Committee

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1918

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

FRANK L. DULEY, Chairman	1919
RALPH O. LEACH	1920
DANIEL MacD. ROSS, Clerk	1921

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

ELMER F. HOWARD

Attendance Officer	Janitor at Center
F. W. DOANE, Deputy Sheriff	FRANK PEROULD

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Resources

Balance from 1917,	\$ 129 21
Dog tax, 1917,	143 37
A. M. D. Alexander fund, 1917,	40 00
Town appropriation,	8,500 00
Dog tax, 1918,	99 50
Mass. School fund,	722 79
F. W. Harness refund,	65
Interest Belcher fund,	106 02
From State on account Supt.	437 50
From State for High School,	500 00
Tuition from E. F. Howard,	370 00
Surplus revenue,	68 72
A. M. D. Alexander fund for janitor and heating hall,	60 00
Dorothy E. Graves, overpayment,	1 00
	\$11,178 76

Expenditures

Superintendent,	\$ 702 88
Supervisors,	328 00
Teachers,	6,216 76
Janitors,	642 94
Transportation,	1,237 07
Fuel,	1,351 06
Books and supplies,	260 00
Repairs,	183 82
Miscellaneous,	282 59
Total,	\$11,205 12

Superintendent	
E. F. Howard,	\$702 88
Supervisors	
Edith Gray, drawing,	\$100 00
Hazel Partch, singing,	138 00
Marion Shattuck,	90 00
	\$328 00

Teachers	
N. S. Mitchell,	\$750 00
Sasie F. Allen,	350 00
Sue A. Thompson,	380 00
F. M. Hodges,	20 00
Helen H. Lyman,	312 50
Gertrude Callender,	330 00
Ann White,	15 00
Sylvia Hawes,	258 75
Mary N. Bowles,	258 75
Marion Shillady,	52 50
Nellie Allen,	131 25
Katharine Callaghan,	436 66
Mary E. Dalton,	381 00
Viola E. Haven,	471 25
Clara B. Atherton,	319 00
C. B. Rolfe,	229 50
Florence Howard,	381 00
Evelyn Dagle,	260 00
Lucy Nutter,	150 00
Julia Proctor,	72 00
Mrs. C. L. Gilbert,	134 60
Harriett N. Farr,	52 00
Dorothy Graves,	231 00
Mrs. Carrie G. Britton,	240 00

\$6,216 76

Janitors	
Frank Perould, Center,	\$456 69
Dorothy Graves, No. 6,	11 50
C. I. Holton, West,	51 00
Viola E. Haven, East,	10 00
C. E. Baxter, East,	21 00
Paul Williams, East,	22 00
Southard Menzel, East,	20 00
Mrs. Carrie G. Britton, No. 6.	11 50

Ruth Anderson, No. 3,	15 75
H. A. Lamb, keeping fire nights,	12 00
Mary E. Dalton, Farms,	11 50

\$642 94

Transportation

C. E. Tenney, from Farms,	\$ 30 00
Central Vermont R. R. Co., from Farms,	25 44
A. Richter, for children,	62 00
R. W. Billings, tickets,	13 38
Otis S. Fisher, for children,	61 20
G. H. Lyman, No. 3,	353 25
T. W. Johnson, West,	84 00
J. H. Black, Bennett Meadow,	249 60
Joseph Bassett, West,	345 00
Lewis H. Wood, Farms,	13 20

\$1,237 07

Fuel

Edward Stratton, labor,	\$ 7 00
S. J. Edson, wood and sawing,	77 50
A. L. Kimplen, labor,	2 00
G. H. Lyman, carting,	28 25
L. W. Pratt, wood,	21 00
Northfield Schools, wood,	52 50
Lawrence Quinlan, carting,	76 00
G. O. Dunnell, coal,	600 58
C. I. Holton, wood, etc.,	46 90
A. W. Ward, slabs,	11 00
A. W. Mead, sawing,	11 35
Evans Bros., slabs,	10 00
O. S. Fisher, wood,	240 00
G. H. Smith, coal,	22 98
E. L. Morse, sawing,	12 00
Geo. W. Piper, slabs,	26 00
Ernest Fisher, labor,	1 50
Harold Shantley, labor,	1 50
Myron Dunnell, carting,	4 00
W. B. Dresser, wood,	36 00
Leach Bros., wood,	63 00

\$1,351 06

Repairs

H. M. Bristol,	\$ 34 47
F. W. Harness,	1 40

C. L. Johnson,	77 24
J. W. Barber,	3 15
Franklin Lumber Co.,	1 75
H. A. Lamb,	57 85
C. E. Baxter,	1 00
Brier's Heater Co., fire box,	6 96
	\$183 82

Books and Supplies

Silver, Burdett & Co.,	\$ 31 39
Milton Bradley Co.,	78 19
Benj. H. Sanborn Co.,	8 41
E. E. Babb & Co.,	122 75
J. L. Hammett Co.,	2 48
C. C. Burchard Co.,	4 70
The Book Store,	5 00
Wright & Potter,	2 06
Ginn & Co.,	1 40
Robbins & Evans,	2 07
Alvin George	90
F. W. Harness,	65
	\$260 00

Miscellaneous

Northfield Seminary, water,	\$12 00
N. S. Mitchell, expense,	6 00
E. F. Howard, expense,	53 53
F. L. Duley, travel to get teacher,	20 90
Northfield Press, printing,	27 05
C. B. Buffum, bill,	60
Alvin George, graduation expense, etc.,	16 55
G. E. I. & P. Co., current,	10 78
T. H. Parker, trucking,	6 54
F. W. Harness, bill,	1 00
Northfield Water Co.,	88 18
Robbins & Evans,	11 69
F. S. Mason, tuning and repairing piano,	7 00
C. E. Williams, bill,	20 77
	\$282 59

The following bills are on hand Dec. 31, and unpaid:	
Robbins & Evans,	\$ 2 95
Geo. N. Kidder,	5 50
H. L. Brigham,	9 21
Sanborn & Co.,	2 64

G. E. L. & P. Co.,	2 30
Silver, Burdett & Co.,	61
Ginn & Co.,	3 11
E. F. Howard, paid Amiel Richter,	15 00
E. F. Howard, paid C. V. R. R. for tickets for Farms children	14 25
Northfield Press,	9 00
R. L. Dunnell,	1 00
C. E. Williams,	20 31
	\$85 88

There is \$72 of tuitions for which bills have been sent but which remain unpaid.

In addition to the bills listed there are some obligations for which no bills had been received Dec. 31, the largest of which so far as known, is for the repair of the furnace in the East Northfield school house.

There is a good supply of fuel now on hand in the basements except at West Northfield, and under normal conditions no large additions to the supply will be required before spring.

Respectfully submitted,
F. L. DULEY, Chairman,
R. O. LEACH,
D. MacD. ROSS, clerk,

School Committee.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the School Committee of Northfield:-

I have the honor to submit this report.

The statistics in the following tabulation are taken from the reports to the State Board of Education submitted on or before July 1, 1918, and relate to the school year ending June 30, 1918.

NUMBER OF PERSONS IN TOWN, APRIL 1, 1918			
Between 5 and 7:	Boys, 27	Girls, 24	Total 51
Between 7 and 14:	Boys, 112	Girls, 98	Total 210
Between 14 and 16:	Boys, 17	Girls, 16	Total 33

PUPILS IN SCHOOL APRIL 1, 1918

Between 5 and 7,	50
Between 7 and 14,	202
Between 14 and 16,	30
Number of Schools	9

Number of teachers	12
Number of supervisors	2
Number of pupils enroled	311
Number enroled in high school	52
Aggregate attendance in days,	40,544
Aggregate attendance in high school	8,999
Average daily attendance	240
Average attendance in high school	45
Average number of days the schools were actually in session	169
High school was in session	179
Average membership	267
Average membership in high school	46
Membership by grades, April 1st, 1918:	
1st grade	39
2nd grade,	37
3rd grade,	31
4th grade,	28
5th grade,	32
6th grade,	36
7th grade,	26
8th grade,	21

HIGH SCHOOL

First year	23
Second year	9
Third year,	6
Fourth year,	4

TEACHERS

Graduates of college,	3
Graduates of normal school,	1
Graduates of high school,	6
Not graduates of secondary schools,	2

SALARY SCHEDULE IN FORCE SINCE JULY 1, 1918

East Northfield grammar,	\$ 550
East Northfield primary,	550
West Northfield	550
Center grammar,	650
Center primary,	550
Number 6,	550
Number 3	550
Northfield Farms,	550
High school principal,	1000

French and English	700
Domestic science, etc.,	700
Grammar and high	700
Singing and drawing supervisor,	300

INCREASE IN SALARIES

The present law requires that all towns having a million dollars of valuation shall pay the regular teachers in the public schools not less than \$550. This law took effect July 1, 1918, and the new schedule became operative for this town with the beginning of the fall term in September. The increase in salaries created by the application of this law will be about \$1000 and this must be added to the expenses for the next year.

EXPENDITURES FOR THIS YEAR

While the expenditures for this year seem a little less than last year, they are not really so, for the reason that we have not paid all the teachers for the usual amount of service this fall on account of closing the schools by order of the Board of Health. Most of the lost time will be made up and the teachers will receive their pay as they make up the time and at the end of June every teacher will have received her full salary, but some that should ordinarily have been paid before the close of the 1918 fiscal year will be paid on the 1919 fiscal year. If school had not been interrupted we should not have had enough money to so nearly meet our obligations for 1918.

WEST NORTHFIELD BUILDING

An appropriation should be made for the improvement of this building. It needs painting outside and improved appearance on the inside. The remainder of the basement should be excavated and cement walls and floor provided. The water supply is not satisfactory and should be made adequate by means of a driven well and a pump.

THE HIGH SCHOOL

An unusually large number of pupils has appeared at the high school and other accessions to the registration will probably carry the total over one hundred.

The corps of teachers there is entirely new and we have apparently been exceedingly fortunate in making selections, every teacher seeming well adapted to her position. Under the management and inspiration of

the principal both teachers and pupils are making excellent progress though handicaped by the loss of time when school was closed on account of the prevailing epidemic. Some of this lost time will be made up by the addition of a half-hour to the school day and a strong effort will be made to cover the year's work by somewhat increasing the daily assignments

SPECIAL REPORTS

Reports are appended from the principal of the high school, from the teachers of domestic science, and from the supervisor of singing and drawing to which your careful attention is directed.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Northfield has been fortunate in retaining among her teachers for more than a score of years one of her own daughters who has always given her best efforts and her highest devotion to the children entrusted to her care. Temporary disability has prevented her from continuing her ministrations this year and a leave of absence has been granted by the school committee.

Leave of absence has also been extended to another, who came to us more than half a score of years ago and who has won for herself a place in the respect and confidence of this community seldom attained by a teacher.

To both these teachers the deepest gratitude is due for the priceless contribution they have made to the youth of this town. The best wishes of all former pupils follow both Miss Evans and Miss Thompson as they seek complete restoration in health.

Respectfully submitted,

ELMER F. HOWARD,

Superintendent of Schools.

Teachers, June, 1918.

Nelson S. Mitchell
Viola E. Haven
Clara B. Atherton
C. Bess Rolfe
Katharine Callaghan
Florence Howard
Evelyn C. Dagle
Mary E. Dalton
Dorothy E. Graves

School

High School
E. Grammar
E. Primary
Center Grammar
Center Primary
West Northfield
Number 3
Number 6
Farms
Number 6

Total membership		Between 5 and 7		Between 7 and 14		Between 14 and 16		Over 16		Aggregate Attendance in days		Average attendance each day		Average Membership	
91	34	0	42	32	14	12,591	70.5	72.9							
34	42	0	36	1	0	4,267	25.4	29.8							
31	31	0	26	0	0	4,993	32.1	36.3							
39	17	0	31	0	0	4,069	24.2	26.6							
26	4	0	18	0	0	4,788	28.5	32.5							
17	22	0	22	0	0	3,033	19.1	22.6							
32	14	0	14	0	0	2,232	13.2	14.4							
10	14	0	10	0	0	3,255	18.8	21.5							
	0	0	0	0	0	1,315	8.3	9.7							

REPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Mr. E. F. Howard ,Superintendent of Schools:

Dear Sir:

It gives me pleasure herewith to submit a report of the high school as I have come to know it since September.

The total enrolment to date is 99, the largest I am told, in the school's history. This number will probably go over the 100 mark, as others are expected to enter a little later. This in itself is gratifying as numbers always add to interest and enthusiasm, but better still is quality, and these 99 pupils, I think, rank high in courtesy, earnest effort and cheerful compliance to rules.

In common with schools throughout the country, work has been sadly interfered with by the influenza, but our school has lost less time than have many towns, and since Thanksgiving, conditions have been normal with an average daily attendance of over 95 per cent.

This lost time is being made up in part at least, by adding a half hour to the school day, a plan which is proving very satisfactory.

The teachers are earnest and progressive and each department shows high attainment.

The courses of study as previously outlined are being followed as a whole, but with certain modifications made necessary by changing conditions. During the war, high school pupils had a vital part in economic problems such as production, conservation and the like.

Now that peace has come, we are hearing much of reconstruction and readjustment, and here too, the boys and girls must play their part and school methods be arranged to meet requirements. Mr Claxton, United States Commissioner of Education, said recently,

"There are before us now just two matters of supreme importance: To win the war for freedom, democracy and peace; and to fit our schools and our children for life and citizenship in the new era which the war is bringing in."

It is a time of specializing, of technical and scientific training.

Then again Community Civics and training for Citizenship are being stressed as never before.

These things are good and pupils have a right to that instruction which best fits them not only for earning a living, but for large usefulness in the world of affairs. Hence there must be most careful planning on the part of teachers and most intensive work by the pupils to meet these demands. To this end I would urge parents to give careful supervision to the home study of their children and also to very regular attendance at school. Teachers and parents must join hands in this work, this God-given work of bringing these young lives into the full maturity of manhood and womanhood. And right here let me urge every one to visit the high school not once but many times. We want you to see your boys and girls in their class rooms, hear them recite, and know just what they are doing; also exchange thoughts and plans with the teachers.

Your high school building is a good one, the equipment and general conditions, excellent, but there are other things we much desire, such as a Commercial department, a gymnasium and a manual training course. "Time and tide waits for no man" but Time solves many problems and so there is always the forward look.

A high school in any town is a very large factor in the life of that town. Here in Northfield, "beautiful for situation" let us take pride in our high school and make it too, beautiful in uplift and influence.

I cannot close this report without again referring to the pupils of the school. In my many years of teaching both in the East and the West, I have never met with a finer group of boys and girls than I find here. They are deserving of the best you can give them. I want them to have, as far as possible everything that any good high school has anywhere. Citizens, parents, teachers, let us stand together, work together for the good of these young people and in future years when they fill places of honor and service in town, state, nation, we shall say "It was worth while."

Respectfully submitted,

SAISIE E. ALLEN,

Principal.

Mr. E. F. Howard, Superintendent of Schools:

Dear Sir:

At your request I would submit the following report of the work done by the domestic science department and a brief sketch of the plan of work for the remainder of the school year.

During the month of September the work was in charge of Miss Shillady. The cooking class canned several quarts of tomatoes and made some pickles—materials to be used later in the school lunch work. In sewing the girls made aprons, holders, and towels for use in the laboratory.

When I took up the work at the reopening of school in November, we began at once serving lunches at recess on Monday and Wednesday of each week. Each girl takes her turn buying the necessary provisions and also acting as housekeeper. Thus far in our lunches we have served only typical breakfast dishes. Our next work will be the preparation of dishes which would be served at supper or lunch and later those which are suitable for dinner. Once a week the class meets for discussion, when we take up such subjects as the selection of foods, nutrition and the planning of meals. It is my aim to teach the girls not only how to cook but also how to select foods and how to serve them in wholesome and attractive combinations.

In our sewing work, we have not accomplished as much as I had planned, owing to the numerous vacations. Each girl has made either a towel or a pillow-case, using on them some of the common stitches. They have also designed and made collar and cuff sets. From now on our practical work will be the making of underwear and some simple outside garments. Some time will also be given to the mending and repairing of clothing. As in the cooking class, we have one period each week for discussion when we will take up the study of textiles and the selection and care of clothing.

We are somewhat handicapped in our domestic science work owing to the fact that not even a small appropriation is made for the department. We are wholly dependent upon our lunches for funds and when the number of pupils taking the lunches is small as it sometimes is, it is impossible for the girls to

have the practise which they should. In sewing we are very much in need of a sewing machine. Although handwork has its place, yet to make a sewing course of greatest value, a sewing machine is essential. No woman of to-day would think of doing all of her sewing by hand.

It is my whole purpose in both courses to make the work practical and such that the knowledge and the skill acquired may be of some real use to each girl.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY N. BOWLES,

Instructor in Home Economics

Mr. E. F. Howard , Superintendent of Schools:

Dear Sir:

It gives me great pleasure to submit my first report as supervisor of music in the Northfield schools.

For the short period that we have had thus far, the work has progressed satisfactorily.

My aim is to teach the boys and girls to sing and enjoy singing, also to have an appreciation of good music by knowing it thoroughly. To gain this end the child should be able to read music readily, know the technique of music and something of the composers.

Thus far I have aimed to teach reading, time, keys, tempo marks, and interpretation.

The first year, the child is tested for his ability to hear and sing. Then if necessary he is given individual attention. In that grade we take up the reading of music, time, tone memorizing and about 50 rote songs.

In the upper grades the plan is to continue the work in technique, giving the child a general knowledge of time, accurate and quick reading, chromatics, scales, signatures, tempo marks, interpretation, and biography. More attention is also given to voice training and the development of pure sweet tones, and to eartraining. Last but not least we want a large vocabulary of good songs.

In high school we have accomplished little except our Christmas sketch. All voices have been tested

and parts assigned. We now plan to start work on a cantata to be produced later.

I wish to thank the teachers for their help and splendid cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,
MARION W. SHATTUCK,
Music Supervisor.

Mr. E. F. Howard, Superintendent of Schools:

Dear Sir:

I submit the following report for the supervision of drawing in the Northfield schools.

In the fall we accomplished some work in nature. In the lower grades we have had a good deal of free hand cutting and some crayon and construction work; in the upper grades, a little free hand cutting, some object work, printing, and design for covers.

In the lower grades we drill on the mere technical representation of processes in order to cultivate in pupils an increasing degree of skill in coordinating movements of hand, eye, and brain.

In the upper grades we expect the pupils to acquire a fair knowledge of technique and to realize that it is not sufficient to have "Art for arts sake," but "Art for lifes sake."

During the winter term our work will be construction work, object drawing and design. In the spring we will take up nature work and its use in design. We will endeavor to make up what we lost in this line last fall.

In high school we have taken up printing, and are applying it in the making of attractive mottoes. The boys and girls made envelopes for the report cards; also boxes for the candy which we sold at our Christmas entertainment.

I wish to thank the teachers again for their splendid help.

Respectfully submitted,
MARION W. SHATTUCK,
Drawing Supervisor

